

## NEWS OF THE WEEK

HAPPENINGS OF THE SEVEN  
PAST DAYS ARE BRIEFLY  
TOLD HERE.

## FROM AROUND THE PLANET

Dispatches From Our Own and For-  
eign Countries Are Here Given  
in Short Meter for  
Busy Readers.

Acting on instructions from President Wilson, a country-wide investigation was started by Attorney-General McReynolds to determine the cause of the sudden rise in the price of foodstuffs.

In a prosecution at Newport, Richard Gordon, assistant station master at Newport, England, said that 30,000 towels were stolen from Great Western trains last year.

Harry Wolsinger & Son of Shelbyville, Ky., sold to R. A. Long, a wealthy lumberman of Kansas City, 62 head of Jersey cattle for \$30,000.

In the refrigerators of the American liner New York, when she sailed from New York for London, were 36,000 dozen eggs, the first American shipment of eggs for English markets since the beginning of the European war.

Lucile Jackson, a 12-year-old Indianapolis, Ind., girl, while angry because her mother had slapped her face after she had lost a receipt book, committed suicide by swallowing carbolic acid.

Half a million dollars in gold bullion arrived at Seattle, Wash., on the steamer Admiral Evans from Alaska. The gold was taken aboard at Seward, Cordova, Valdez and Skagway.

Three resolutions calling for information as to "war profits" on foodstuffs in the United States were referred to Secretary Redfield by Chairman Adamson of a house committee.

The State Bank of Calumet, Ill., one of seven which closed in consequence of the failure of the In Safe Trust and Savings bank of Chicago, has reopened. Five banks have reopened.

Complete official returns from all counties in Oklahoma in the recent primary gave R. L. Williams a plurality of 1,700 votes as Democratic candidate for governor. J. B. A. Robertson is his nearest rival.

Edward P. Amor, secretary of the Western Railroad association, was found murdered in his office in Chicago. Police say death was caused by strangulation and a blow on the head with some instrument.

The treasury department announced that it had bought 1,175,000 ounces of silver at 52 cents an ounce, with the twofold purpose of enabling both mines and smelters to continue operations.

Before adjourning to meet in Portland, Ore., the first Tuesday in August, 1916, the supreme lodge, Knights of Pythias, decided to recognize the Dramatic Order of Knights of Klondike as an auxiliary.

The American Hawaiian steamer Neoraskan put out for New York via the Panama canal. She will be the first merchantman to pass through from the Pacific coast.

Late Ohio returns indicated a close race between former Senator Joseph B. Foraker and former Lieut.-Gov. Warren G. Harding for the Republican nomination for United States senator.

A definite plan in the Dominican republic is carried by an American commission which left Havana, Cuba, for Santiago, en route to Santo Domingo City.

Tyrus Cobb, prize center fielder of the Detroit American League team, set at rest reports that he intended jumping to the Federal league by signing a contract to play three more years with the Tigers.

The Progressives of the First Indiana district held their convention and nominated U. H. Selzer of Evansville for congress by acclamation. The convention was attended by many women.

With returns in from more than one-half the counties in Kansas little doubt remained that former Senator Curtis had defeated Senator Bristow in the race for the Republican senatorial nomination.

Developments in the Mexican capital resulted in a triumph for the war party. The war party is in control and is being backed up by Provisional President Carranza, and unless concessions are made Gen. Carranza, it seems, must fight his way into the capital and power.

Half a dozen Americans have arrived here from Berno. It took more than 48 hours to make the journey. They report that the Swiss army is fully mobilized and every pass leading into Germany is manned.

Because of a desire of several senators to study the bill amending the Panama canal act to admit foreign-built ships to American registry and to perfect the measure so that international complications might be impossible, passage of the emergency bill was postponed.

Flood conditions prevail over a large part of South Texas. In some localities 14 inches of rain has fallen during the last three days. Many bridges are washed out. The crop damage is heavy.

By a vote of 45 to 7 the senate ratified the peace treaties with Norway and the Netherlands, negotiated by Secretary Bryan. Indications were that the remaining treaties with other countries would be ratified.

In a telegram to Fremont Older of San Francisco, Clifford Pinchot announced his engagement to Miss Cornelia Bryce, daughter of Gen. Lloyd Bryce of Flushing, L. I.

Gen. Carranza has ordered held at Tampico a large shipment of ammunition consigned to Gen. Villa, according to official advices to the Washington government.

Former Senator Joseph B. Foraker conceded his defeat for the Republican nomination for United States senator from Ohio.

In a quarrel at Clinton, Ill., over \$12 in accounts, Porter Spencer, 48 years old, a farmer, shot and killed his father, John Spencer, 75.

President Griffin and Charles Hall, negroes, were taken from the city hall tower at Monroe, La., and hanged by a mob. Less than 24 hours before Henry Holmes was lynched near there in connection with the same crime.

The quarantine against New Orleans because of bubonic plague was raised by Costa Rica. No cases have been reported during the last nine days.

A gift of \$500,000 to the government, to be used for defense purposes as it sees fit, was announced by Canadian officials. It came from a Montreal millionaire who asked that his name be kept secret.

Lench Cross of New York received the decision over Joe Rivers of Los Angeles at the end of 20 rounds of hard fighting. Cross had every round after the tenth.

The senate passed the bill to authorize the president in his discretion to admit to American registry foreign-built ships less than five years old.

From Mount Lassen Peak for several days there have been three small eruptions. The volcano had been silent since July 16.

With the British capture of Togoland, the German colonial possession in Western Africa, one of the largest wireless stations in the world was acquired. The plant has a radius of communication of 3,000 miles.

The record price for cattle for three or four years was reached in East St. Louis, when cattle brought \$10 per 100 pounds, a jump of 19 cents on the hundred in two days.

The first human case of bubonic plague within 11 days, and the first since the outbreak appeared in New Orleans, La., June 27, was reported by federal health authorities.

A formal peace pact between the constitutional army and the federal government of Mexico was signed by Gen. Obregon representing the constitutionalists, and Eduardo Barrios, governor of the federal district.

The gold and silver from the "treasure ship" Kronprinzessin Cecilie arrived in New York. It included \$10,000,000 in gold and \$5,000,000 in silver bars.

Harry Varis, Greek interpreter for a construction gang of the C. & Q. railroad, was shot and killed while he was asleep in a bunk car in the railroad yards at Litchfield, Ill.

The day's sailings of the steamships of the Anchor, Allan and Donaldson lines were canceled and about 1,000 Americans and Canadians who booked their passages are left stranded at Glasgow, Scotland.

The steamer James Lee, a side-wheeler of the Lee line, operated in the Memphis and Friars Point trade, sank near Asher Landing, 80 miles south of Memphis. No lives were lost.

Although the United States is at peace, legislative leaders admitted levying of a "war tax" is inevitable. Prospects make it necessary to adopt emergency measures for the raising of revenue.

J. L. Wees, a St. Louis architect, has discovered an old map of Brazil of the vintage 1749, and Roosevelt's River of Doubt is thereon plainly indicated.

Warned that an attempt may be made to cut the seven transatlantic cables that terminate at Far Rockaway, armed guards are watching the cable landing station and the adjacent region.

A mob beat the bushes of Nonconah, eight miles south of Memphis, in search of Jim Buford, a negro, who killed W. B. Elmore, a deputy sheriff. In the hunt for Buford, two negroes who offered resistance to the posse, have been killed.

An agreement has been reached between the government and New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company for the peaceful dissolution of the New Haven system, according to an announcement after a meeting of the road's directors here.

China has instructed her ministers at Washington and Tokyo to request the United States and Japan to join with China in an effort to prevent hostilities in Chinese waters and territories because of the far-reaching dangers connected with them.

In a dense fog in the Hudson river the steamer Inroquois of the Manhattan line crashed into the Berkshire of the Hudson Navigation company line off Hastings, cutting 18 feet into the Berkshire's counter and ripping her almost to the water line.

There will be no races for the American cup until next year at the earliest. All idea of merely postponing the event until October has been given up, as the New York Yacht club held a meeting and voted against racing this fall.

SWEEPING INQUIRY  
INTO FOOD PRICESFEDERAL AND STATE AGENTS  
MARSHALLED IN HUNT FOR  
ILLEGAL TACTICS.

## RETAIL DEALERS SUBPOENAED

Washington Leads Off With Grand  
Jury Inquiry of Middlemen  
—Congressional Resolutions  
Blocked in the House

Washington, D. C.—Legal forces state and federal, all over the country are in action, carrying out President Wilson's suggestion for an investigation of whether food prices are being increased artificially on the pretext of the European war, and for criminal prosecutions if that is found to be the case.

The national capital led off the campaign with a grand jury investigation to which commission merchants, wholesalers and retailers, buyers for hotels and restaurants were subpoenaed and citizens having evidence were invited.

## Investigations Are General.

Reports of other investigations beginning in many localities by United States attorneys and state and county authorities began pouring into the attorney general's office. Special agents of the department of justice began their search for evidence of manipulations or other methods of price-fixing and Secretary Redfield sent detailed instructions to agents of the department of commerce on carrying out their part of the investigation.

After a conference between President Wilson, Attorney General McReynolds and Secretary Redfield, at which the plan was generally discussed, the attorney general said, so far he was considering the conspiracy section of the Sherman antitrust law as the only existing statute to cover the situation and that he would not be able to report whether additional legislation was necessary until after receiving detailed reports from his agents.

## Inquiry Blocked in House.

President Wilson, officials said, aroused by what he considered wholly unjustifiable increases in the cost of food, is giving his personal attention and encouragement to the investigation.

Consideration of several congressional resolutions for inquiry were blocked in the house by parliamentary tactics.

## Bandits Murder 3.

Williamson, W. Va.—Joseph Sheler, postmaster of the Glenalum Coal & Coke company at Glenalum, this county, Dr. W. D. Amick, company physician, and F. D. Johnson, company electrician, were murdered near here and the pay roll of \$15,000 was stolen by bandits who escaped.

## Curtailed Output of Copper.

Bisbee, Ariz.—Virtually all operations in the Clear and Holbrook camp of the Copper Queen Mining company were suspended when articles issued an order dismissing 400 men. This was the second reduction since the European war began, first effecting 500 men.

## Boycott to Reduce Living Cost.

Chicago, Ill.—A boycott of all meats and other food articles, prices of which have advanced apparently without warrant, was launched by the Illinois Woman's Democratic club. The boycott movement is expected to be approved at a housewives' mass meeting.

## Traction System Raises Wages.

Baltimore, Md.—Upward of 3,000 employees of the Baltimore street railway system received an advance in wages. The new schedule gives an average raise of 25 cents a day to the conductors and motormen.

## Fears Dogs, Shoots Self.

White Plains, N. Y.—Rather than be attacked by police dogs that held him at bay in the hills near here, Salvatore Tropea, wanted for murder, shot himself and will die. Tropea had killed a fellow laborer.

## New Bridge to Span Ohio River.

Pittsburg—The Chesapeake & Ohio Railway company has selected a point about eight miles above Portsmouth, Ohio, as the site of its proposed bridge over the Ohio River.

Printers Give \$10,000 to Lynch. Providence, R. I.—A gift of \$10,000 to James M. Lynch, New York state commissioner of labor, was voted by the International Typographical Union. Mr. Lynch was formerly president of the union.

## Peace Treaties Ratified.

Washington, D. C.—The senate formally ratified 18 of the 20 peace treaties submitted to it by Secretary Bryan and held up for further consideration those with Panama and San Domingo.

## Two New Plague Cases.

New Orleans, La.—Two cases of bubonic plague were diagnosed here according to Dr. W. C. Rucker, assistant surgeon general. This makes a total of 17 cases since the first was discovered, June 27.

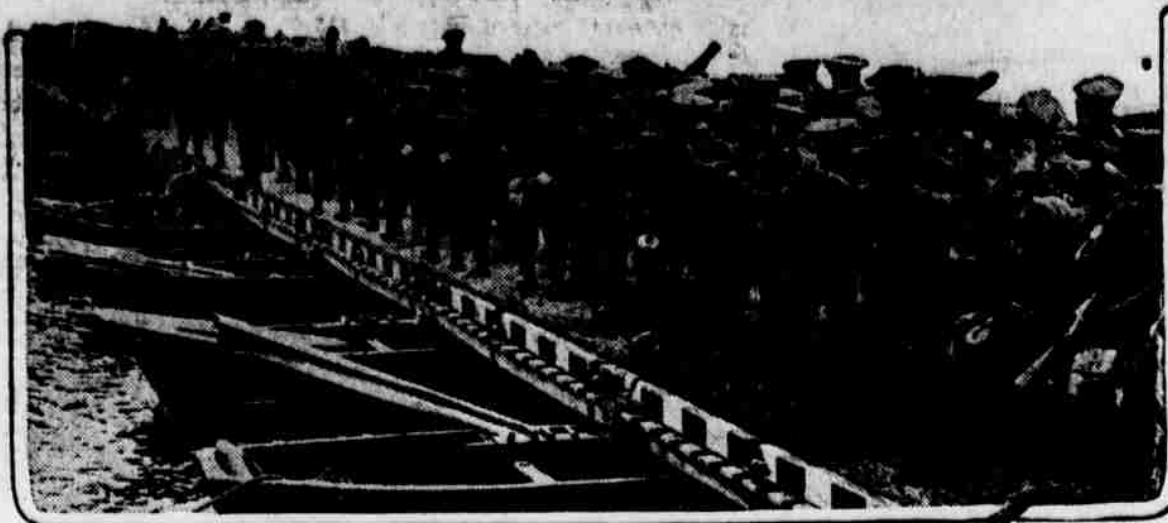
## Wife Sees Aeronaut Killed.

Mount Carmel, Ill.—A. E. Duncan, 30 years old, a balloonist of Vincennes, Ind., was killed instantly in making a descent at St. Francisville. His parachute failed to work. His wife saw him killed.

## Two Women and Man Drown.

Clinton, Ia.—Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Ruddy of Lyons, Ia., and Mrs. Flora Newcomer, of East Clinton, were drowned. Their skiff was run down by a motor boat in the Mississippi River.

## BRITISH INFANTRY CROSSING A PONTOON BRIDGE



## COMMANDERS OF FAMOUS COSSACK REGIMENT



## YOUNG SERBIAN INFANTRYMEN



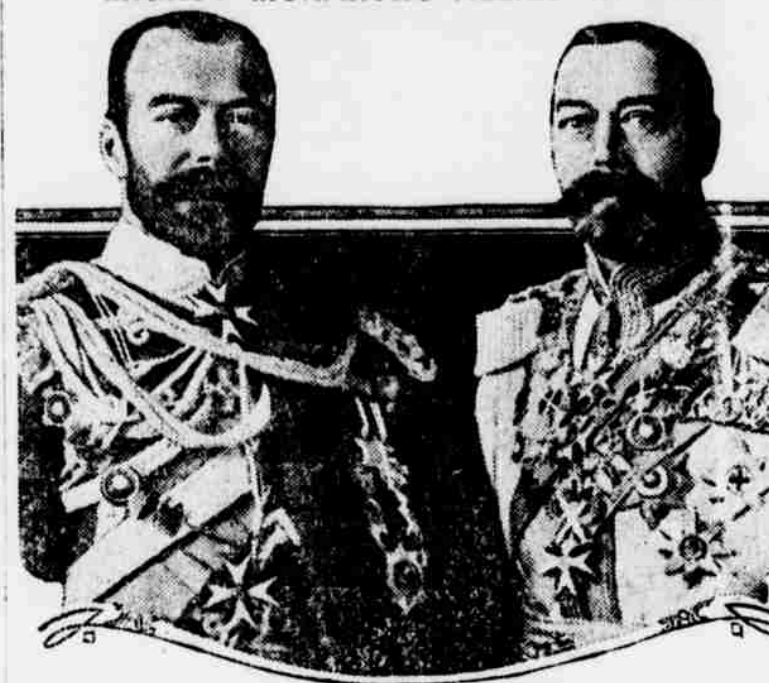
## STUDYING THE WAR MAP



## Kaiser Wilhelm, on the left, looking over a war map with his commander-in-chief, Gen. von Moltke.

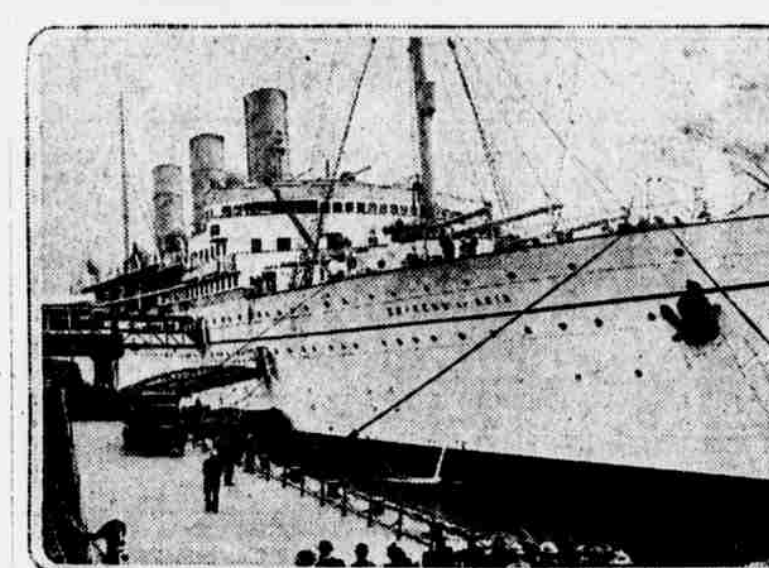
The Kaiser has now gone to the front to command personally his armies that are trying to invade France.

## MIGHTY MONARCHS ALLIED IN WAR



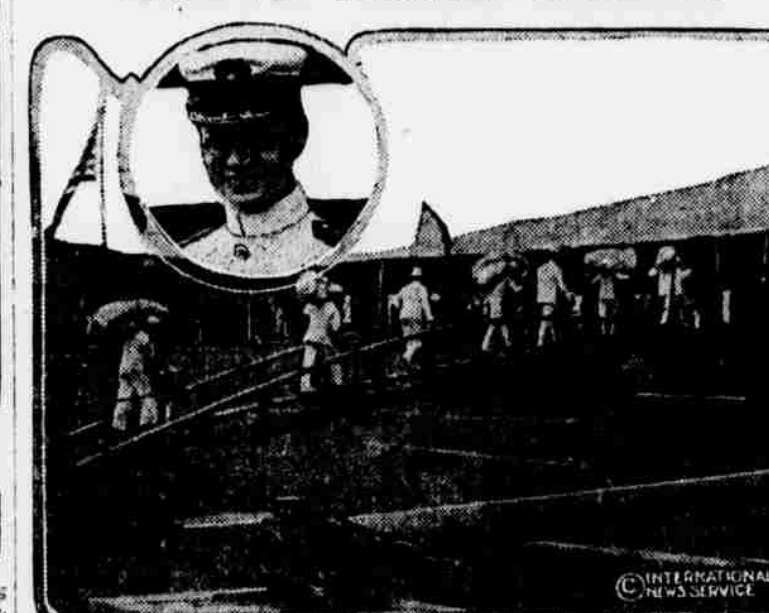
The king of England (right) and the czar of Russia, photographed together at one of their recent meetings.

## COMMANDEERED BY THE BRITISH



The Canadian-Pacific liner Empress of Asia, fastest steamship on the Pacific, commandeered by the British admiralty and armed at Hongkong as a cruiser.

## FUNDS FOR STRANDED AMERICANS



Carrying the supplies aboard the cruiser Tennessee, to be taken to Europe to relieve the distress of American tourists. Insert is portrait of Capt. B. C. Decker, in command of the Tennessee.

## THINGS THAT ARE AND ARE NOT CONTRABAND

Under international law, there are two kinds of contraband—absolute and conditional. The former applies to materials of direct military use, such as ammunition, guns, shells, explosives, etc. The conditional contraband has never been definitely outlined, but a ruling is usually made in each case.

The law of nations permits a belligerent to exercise a certain jurisdiction over neutral commerce in time of

war, and many articles which may be of use to an army or navy, such as coal oil, and even foodstuffs, are often prohibited.

A classification which is supported by American and English decisions, divides all merchandise into the following:

1. Articles manufactured and primarily or ordinarily used for military purposes in time of war.
2. Articles which may be, and are,

used for the purposes of war or peace, according to the circumstances.

3. Articles used exclusively for peaceful purposes.

Merchandise of the first class destined to a belligerent country is always contraband. Merchandise of the second class is contraband only when destined for the military or naval use of a belligerent, while merchandise of the third class never is contraband at all, though liable to seizure and condemnation for violation of blockade or siege.

WOMAN WEAK  
AND NERVOUSFinds Health in Lydia E.  
Pinkham's Vegetable  
Compound.

Creston, Iowa.—"I suffered with female troubles from the time I came into womanhood until I had taken Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I would have paid if I overworked or lifted anything heavy, and I would be so weak and nervous and in so much misery that I would be prostrated. A friend told me what your medicine had done for her and I tried it. It made me strong and healthy and our home is now happy with a baby boy. I am very glad that I took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and do all I can to recommend it."—Mrs. A. B. BOSCAMPT, 604 E. Howard Street, Creston, Iowa.



Tons of Roots and Herbs are used annually in the manufacture of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, which is known from ocean to ocean as the standard remedy for female ills.

For forty years this famous root and herb medicine has been pre-eminent successful in controlling the diseases of women. Merit alone could have stood this test of time.

If you have the slightest doubt that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound will help you, write to Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co. (confidential) Lynn, Mass., for advice. Your letter will be opened, read and answered by a woman, and held in strict confidence.

## DAISY FLY KILLER



## SIMPLY DEMANDING HER OWN

Recent Discoveries Show That Woman Has Retrogressed Since the Days of the Pharaohs.

In the days of the Pharaohs—no less than in the days of the Roman empire—woman was on a plane of equality with man. There is thus, perhaps, nothing exorbitant now in her demand for the vote. She is only asking for a little of her own back.

Sir Gaston Maspero has unearthed some Pharaonic papyri which throw an interesting light on the Pharaonic consideration of woman and marriage.

In those days mankind evidently favored a kind of trial marriage, and this marriage woman entered on terms of perfect equality, or even, perhaps, on terms of superiority.

This was the usual Pharaonic marriage contract, as deciphered by Sir Gaston Maspero:

"Thou takest me to be thy wife and thou givest unto me a dowry. If it so hap that I tire of thee or that I cast my eyes on another than thee, I will return unto thee a part of thy dowry and will go where good seemeth unto me."

## Five-Year-Old's Disapproval.

Five-year-old Herbert, born of a bookish family, had learned to read so early and so easily that he scarcely remembered the experience. When his little sister began her studies Herbert watched her progress with interest. One day he confided to his mother:

"Ruthie showed me her new lesson book today, and it's the queerest thing you ever saw! Why, it just says, 'Is it a dog? It is a dog. Can the dog run? Yes, the dog can run,' and a lot of silly things like that. 'Course I didn't like to say so, but I don't think much of that book, mamma. It didn't seem to me that the style had a bit of juice!"

He who strikes while the iron is hot doesn't always succeed in making warm friends.

Success is the one sin some people refuse to forgive in their friends.

We Do  
the Cooking

You avoid fussing over a hot stove—

Save time and energy—

Have a dish that will please the home folks!

A package of

Post  
Toasties

and some cream or good milk—sometimes with berries or fruit—

A breakfast, lunch or supper

## Fit for a King!

Toasties are sweet, crisp bits of Indian corn perfectly cooked and toasted—

Ready to eat from the package—

Sold by Grocers.